

US woman killed in robbery in Colombia

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BOGOTA, Colombia --

A U.S. woman was shot and killed as she vacationed with her Colombian husband in this South American country, in a robbery that netted \$200 and a laptop computer, police said on Sunday.

Jean Oviedo, 37, arrived 10 days ago at the northeastern Colombian city of Bucaramanga with her three children and husband, said police Gen. Alvaro Enrique Miranda.

On Saturday night, two assailants burst into her husband's family home, shooting her in the neck during the course of the robbery. She died at a nearby hospital.

Local authorities said Oviedo is from South Carolina, but an independent search could not confirm her residence there.

Police were still unclear why the two men chose to break into the third-floor apartment where Oviedo was staying, bypassing other homes, Miranda said.

Colombian police are offering a \$2,500 reward for information.